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SUBJECT: AUSTRIA - FISCAL YEAR 1976 PROGRAM GUIDANCE

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1. AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT CURRENTLY STUDYING AND IS EXPECTED TO MODIFY STAFFING OF FEDERAL AND REGIONAL POLICE UNITS INVOLVED IN THE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION OF NARCOTICS TRAFFICKERS. RESULTS OF STUDY AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES ANTICIPATED TO BE OFFICIALLY KNOWN IN NOVEMBER. UNTIL THEN, NO TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCH PERSONNEL CAN BE PROJECTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 1976. TRAINING CONDUCTED BY MEMBERS OF CENTRAL NARCOTICS OFFICE IN VIENNA FOR ALL POLICE AND CUSTOMS OFFICERS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE. FUTURE INSTRUCTOR MANPOWER AND LANGUAGE CAPABILITY CANNOT NOW BE MEASURED AS THIS ALSO PART OF CURRENT STUDY.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES PARTICIPATION OF APPROPRIATE POLICE OFFICERS IN TRAINING COURSES IN U.S. WOULD BE OF GREAT BENEFIT TO INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM NARCOTICS CONTROL
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IN THIS AREA OF INCREASING SIGNIFICANCE EAST TO WEST

ILLEGAL DRUG TRAFFIC. GOA WOULD PROBABLY HOWEVER
HESITATE TO APPROVE SUCH TRAINING IN U.S. UNLESS U.S.
GOVERNMENT OFFERED TO PAY PER DIEM AND ROUND TRIP
TRANSPORTATION OF TRAINEES. IF THIS POSSIBILITY EXISTED,
ANTICIPATE GOA WOULD AGREE TO SEND 5-10 POLICE FROM
NEWLY ORGANIZED UNITS TO SIX-WEEKS INTERNATIONAL
DRUG ENFORCEMENT SCHOOL. INTERPRETATION INTO GERMAN
LANGUAGE WOULD BE NECESSARY.

3. COULD U.S. FUND SUCH A TRAINING PROJECT? CAN THIS
OFFER BE MADE TO GOA IN NOVEMBER WHEN THEIR STAFFING
PLANS WILL BE FORMULATED? CAN PROJECTED TRAINING REQUIRE-
MENTS FOR FY 76 BE SUBMITTED IN NOVEMBER?

4. INFORMATION CONTAINED PARA 1 ABOVE SENSITIVE AND
NOT WIDELY KNOWN AND SHOULD NOT BE COMMUNICATED BACK
TO AUSTRIANS THROUGH OTHER CHANNELS UNTIL PROJECTED
CHANGES IN STAFFING COMPLETED, PROBABLY BY END OF YEAR.

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